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The Directors Say

Arthur J. Hyde - Wisconsin. This spring's Christian Education Workshop at Green Lake was well attended. Almost 100 teachers were released for that weekend.....We used mostly our own leaders. Sitting in on some of the sessions rather surprised me with the realization of the progressive things that are being done in many places. The fact that, although the number attending was excellent, we still reached less than one-fourth of our churches, makes us think that perhaps workshops like this should be planned for other areas.

Arthur L. Maye - New Jersey. On three occasions I have shown the new filmstrip on administration prepared by the National Council of Churches, called "Plan for Christian Education." In it there is an illustration of the work of a church which sets itself to the task of weekday religious education for the children of the neighborhood. It has stimulated much discussion about the need for a well-formulated weekday program.

Alex Elsesser - Ohio. Our Camp and Assembly Committee, which decides camp policy, is directing those responsible for the camp program to break away from the traditional leadership training courses, except at Granville Assembly. Our aim is to have a more unified approach to the problems of youth. This is an experiment and we hope we will bring forth new results as young people work together in this camping experience.

Ben G. Field - No. California. It was my privilege to hold, with William Keech as the leader, a Cluster meeting for the Sacramento Assn. to interpret the program of Christian Education for '56-'57. The response was well nigh unanimous and the outlook is that almost every church in the Association will participate in the new program.

Gordon D. Forbes - Washington. Two Sundays were devoted to promotion of the camping program in churches on the Seattle area, showing pictures of the camp and telling of the responsibility of leaders. Training conferences were held for camp leaders at both Burton and Ross Point and bringing in leaders from the other camps. An unusually fine response on the part of the leaders, almost 100 receiving the training at Burton, and a slightly larger group than last year at Ross Point.

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The pages of JUDSON JOURNAL are devoted to the total program of Christian education. All age groups and all functional aspects of the program are dealt with in each issue. Programs, plans, materials, books, and other related matter pertaining to the various departments of work are included. In other words, JUDSON JOURNAL is intended to serve as the "voice" of the denomination in the broad field of Christian education.

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COVER: An Association Committee gets ready for action.



From the Desk of Kenneth L. Cober

RESIGNED

We regret to announce that Miss Isabelle M. Gates has resigned as Director of World Service for the Baptist Youth Fellowship, and Secretary of the Fellowship Guild. Miss Gates began her work with us November 20, 1953, as associate to Miss Elsie Kappen, and assumed the full responsibility for the program on May 1, 1954. Miss Gates has given aggressive leadership.

Under her direction, the program of the Fellowship Guild has been enriched, and many new Guild chapters have been organized. Miss Gates' resignation took effect Aug. 31.

Gordon D. Forbes has resigned as Director of Christian Education for the Washington Baptist Convention, to become the Director of Christian Education for the First Baptist Church of Sacramento, Cal. Dr. Forbes has served as a state director of Christian education, first for Northern California and Nevada, and later for Washington, over a period totalling nineteen years and ten months. He shares with one other state director the honor of having served as an area director for the longest period of time. His experience should make Dr. Forbes an exceptional leader for the rapidly expanding First Church of Sacramento.



Isabelle M. Gates

Edgar C. Smith has resigned as Director of Christian Education for the Pennsylvania Baptist Convention, to take effect Nov. 30. Mr. Smith began his service in Pennsylvania Dec. 1, 1938. When he retires, Mr. Smith will have served in his present position for eighteen years and nine months. He will be the second oldest area director in terms of tenure, and have served the longest continuous number of years in one area. Previously, Mr. Smith was pastor of the Calvary Church, Schenectady, the Bottskill Church, Greenwich, the First Church, Brockport, and he was Director of Christian Education for the First Church, Troy, all of which are churches in New York State.

NEW APPOINTMENT

Miss Florence E. Wagner is the new Western representative of the "Winning the Children for Christ" Program. Miss Wagner is a graduate of the Baptist Missionary Training School. Since 1952, Miss Wagner has served as Director of Christian Education in the First Baptist Church of Waukesha, Wisconsin. The Department of Evangelism of the American Baptist Home Mission Societies share in this appointment.

HONORED

The colleges continue to recognize the significance of the area directors' work. Honorary degrees were awarded in June to Rev. J. Norman Martin, Director of Camping for New Jersey, and Rev. E. Floyd Norton, Director of Christian Education in Michigan.

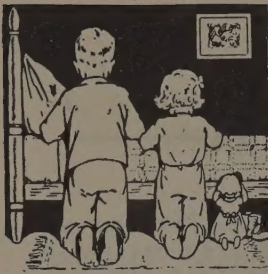
THE NEW DISTRIBUTION OF NATIONAL REPRESENTATIVES

The practice of relating members of the national staff to the various geographical regions of the country proved to have so much worth that we are continuing this pattern indefinitely into the post-YBA period. It has seemed advisable to re-distribute the national personnel so that each region would have the value of being served by a person representing a different specialization. The new distribution will become effective January 1, 1957.

Region I	Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont
Region II	Connecticut, Massachusetts, Rhode Island
Region III	Buffalo, New York, New York City
Region IV	Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh
Region V	New Jersey, West Virginia, Washington, D. C.
Region VI	Cleveland, Detroit, Ohio, Michigan
Region VII	Chicago, Illinois, Indiana
Region VIII	Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wisconsin
Region IX	Iowa, Kansas, Missouri
Region X	Colorado, Nebraska, Wyoming
Region XI	Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Utah, Washington
Region XII	Arizona, Bay Cities, Nevada, Northern-Southern California

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Department of Children's Work

OUR GOALS IN CHILDREN'S WORK THIS YEAR

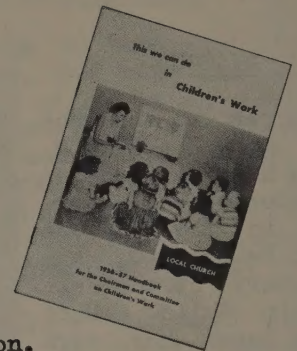
GOALS FOR STATE (CITY) CHAIRMEN

- GOAL 1. Serve as an active, cooperating member of the state committee (or board) on Christian education.
 - GOAL 2. Secure and establish a state committee on children's work (subcommittee of the state committee) and encourage attendance at all meetings (at least two per year).
 - GOAL 3. Secure an active chairman of children's work in each Association.
 - GOAL 4. Arrange for training your association chairmen, either by geographical sections, or as a total group in a two-day state retreat at your camp, or in some other similar situation.
- NOTE: Some training may be done this year in the District Training Conferences for association committees. It is hoped that every state chairman may attend all District Training Conferences and meet with the association chairmen of children's work, training them for their job.
- GOAL 5. Initiate and set up Demonstration Days, Weekend Observation Schools, and make plans toward a time when a laboratory school may become established in your area.
 - GOAL 6. Accept responsibility for the missionary and stewardship education of children by channeling information, interpreting the total program, and helping to secure materials for missionary education.
 - GOAL 7. Encourage association chairmen to acquaint the local churches with the denominational Children's Day program and offering plan.
 - GOAL 8. Cooperate with your area director of Christian education in setting up Workshops on Creative Activities next spring, using 1957 vacation church school course.
 - GOAL 9. Attend a Laboratory School.
 - GOAL 10. Send your annual report to the national Department of Children's Work.

GOALS FOR ASSOCIATION CHAIRMEN

Do you have your handbook, **THIS WE CAN DO IN CHILDREN'S WORK**? If not, please write for it at once. Address the Department of Children's Work, 1703 Chestnut St., Philadelphia 3, Pa.

- GOAL 1. Serve as an active, cooperating member of the Association Committee on



Christian Education.

NOTE: Be sure to attend the District Conference in your Area for association committees. There, you will have opportunity to receive training and make plans for your job.

- GOAL 2. Assist with Fall, 1956, and Spring, 1957, Cluster Conferences for local church boards of Christian education.
- GOAL 3. Secure attendance of all local church chairmen of children's work at these two Cluster Conferences.
- GOAL 4. Encourage every church to have a Vacation Church School and to participate in the special Service Project.
- GOAL 5. Encourage every church to use the denominational program for Children's Day, 1957, and to give a special Children's Day Offering to the Winning the Children for Christ Program.
- GOAL 6. Encourage use of American Baptist teaching materials in every church.
- GOAL 7. Attend a laboratory training school and encourage your local church chairmen to do so.
- GOAL 8. Send your year's report to your state chairman.

GOALS FOR LOCAL CHURCH CHAIRMEN OF CHILDREN'S WORK



Do you have your handbook, **THIS WE CAN DO IN CHILDREN'S WORK**?

If not, please write for it at once. Address the Department of Children's Work, 1703 Chestnut St., Philadelphia 3, Pa.

NOTE: Be sure to attend the Fall Cluster Training Conference for local church boards of Christian education. There you will receive specific training and help for carrying out your job in your church.

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WINNING THE CHILDREN FOR CHRIST

INTRODUCING OUR NEW REGIONAL MISSIONARIES

Miss Florence E. Wangner



New Western Area Regional Missionary

Florence Eleanor Wangner joined the Winning the Children for Christ staff on August 17. She comes to us from the First Baptist Church of Waukesha, Wisconsin, where she has served for the past four years as Director of Christian education. For many years she has felt that her calling was Christian teaching. But let her speak for herself.

"There had never been any question in my mind or in the minds of others concerning my future: I was to be a teacher. However, by the time I was in junior high, I was beginning to realize that there were much more important things to teach than merely the basic academic subjects. I was beginning to realize that in learning to be a Christian I was learning the most valuable lesson of life. Soon these two ideas merged - my interest in teaching and my conviction of how important it was to learn to be a Christian - and my vocational plans centered in the field of Christian education."

And so it was that "Flossie" persisted until she found a way to attend B. M. T. S. and graduate in 1952 with the B.A. degree. A concern for the unreached and a confirmed conviction that Christian education of children is basic prepare her well for the challenge that awaits her. Welcome, Florence Eleanor Wangner!

Frances D. Rushford (Mrs. Park T.)



New Eastern Regional Missionary

Frances Deardorff Rushford joined the Winning the Children for Christ staff on August 10. She is a native of West Virginia but she makes her home in Indianapolis. Her husband, Rev. Park T. Rushford, is with the Public Relations Department of the Board of Education and Publication.

Mrs. Rushford attended Alderson-Broadus College and was graduated from the Baptist Missionary Training School. She has served as a missionary in the Christian Center at Hamtramck, Michigan; has taught public school for a period of years and has served as a weekday teacher of religious education. More recently she has served as field representative for the Baptist Missionary Training School.

Regarding her call to the Winning the Children for Christ staff, she makes the following statement.

"The opportunity to serve in our denomination's Winning the Children for Christ Program seems a direct call of God. What at first appeared to be obstacles seem now to have disappeared. The opportunity to serve Christ in this specific way is an exciting and thrilling challenge to me. I pray that I may be worthy of the calling in this vital and important task in our Baptist work."

WINNING THE CHILDREN FOR CHRIST (CONT'D) - FALL - WINTER ITINERARIES

Western Area - Florence E. Wangner

Sept. 10 - 19 - - - (Training) Alton, Ill.
 Sept. 27 - Oct. 6 - - - - - Nebraska
 Oct. 8 - 17 - - - - - Nebraska
 Oct. 23 - Nov. 1 - - - - - Butte, Montana
 Nov. 2 - 10 - - - - - Monticello, Utah
 Nov. 12 - 20 - - - - - Salt Lake City, Utah
 Jan. 4 - 11, 1957 - - - - - Colorado
 Jan. 13 - 20 - - - - - Colorado
 Jan. 22 - 29 - - - - - Wyoming

Central Area - Mildred L. Arnold

Sept. 10 - 19 - - - - - Alton, Ill.
 Sept. 21 - 29 - - - - - Robinson, Ill.
 Oct. 1 - 5 Green Lake Day Camp Laboratory
 Oct. 7 - 16 - - - - - Toledo, Ohio
 Oct. 18 - 27 - - - - - Columbus, Ohio
 Nov. 1 - 10 - - - - - Detroit, Michigan
 Nov. 12 - 20 - - - - - Detroit, Michigan
 Jan. 4 - 11, 1957 - - - - - Kansas
 Jan. 13 - 20 - - - - - Kansas
 Jan. 22 - 29 - - - - - Kansas

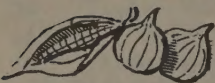
Eastern Area - Frances D. Rushford

Sept. 10 - 19 - - - (Training) Alton, Ill.
 Sept. 27 - Oct. 6 - - - - - Maine
 Oct. 8 - 17 - - - - - Maine
 Oct. 23 - Nov. 1 - - - - - Portsmouth, N. H.
 Nov. 2 - 10 - - - - - Vermont
 Nov. 12 - 20 - - - - - Connecticut
 Jan. 4 - 11, 1957 - - - - - Not scheduled
 Jan. 13 - 20 - - - - - New Jersey
 Jan. 22 - 29 - - - - - New Jersey

BEST WISHES, VELMA MOORE

Miss Velma L. Moore, for four years a Winning the Children for Christ missionary in the western area, resigned on April 30. She gave outstanding service in local church projects, and as a demonstration and laboratory school counselling teacher. On June 1 she began her new work as director of Christian education in the First Baptist Church of Rapid City, South Dakota.

GOALS FOR LOCAL CHURCH CHAIRMEN OF CHILDREN'S WORK (Continued from page 2)



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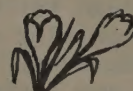
- GOAL 1. (A) Meeting of the Committee on Children's Work,
 (B) Meeting of the entire Children's staff.
- GOAL 2. (A) The Chairman of Children's Work serving on the Missionary and Stewardship Education Committee and helping to plan for children's classes in a School of Missions, the procurement of missionary reading books, and emphases on stewardship.
 (B) The Chairman of Children's Work serving on the Leadership Education Committee and helping to plan for teacher-training enterprises.
- GOAL 3. A systematic plan of keeping teacher records on pupils and following up absentees.
- GOAL 4. A second-hour program for children on Sunday mornings.

Winter, 1956



- GOAL 1. (A) Meeting of the Committee on Children's Work
 (B) Meeting of the entire Children's staff.

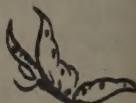
- GOAL 5. Home-Church Cooperation through
 (A) At least one call in the home of each child.
 (B) At least one meeting of teachers and parents.
- GOAL 6. A junior course in discipleship, using the pastor's class materials.



Spring, 1957

- GOAL 1. (A) Meeting of the Committee on Children's Work,
 (B) Meeting of the entire Children's Division staff.
- GOAL 7. Children's Day observed with an appropriate program and the special offering project.
- GOAL 9. Year's report sent to the Association Chairman of Children's Work.

Summer, 1957



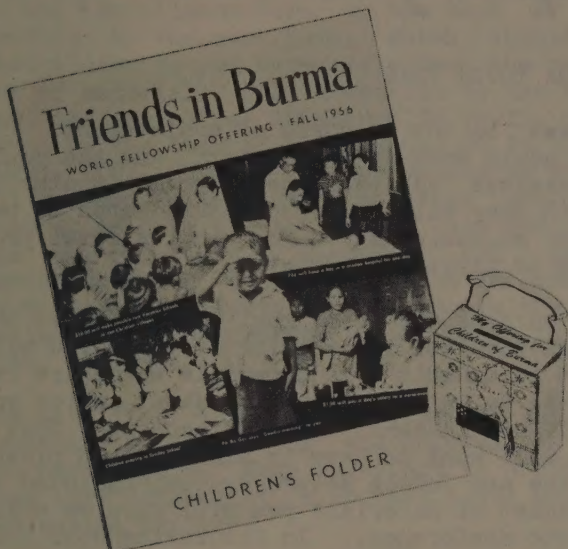
- GOAL 1. (A) Meeting of the Committee on Children's Work,
 (B) Meeting of the entire Children's Division staff.
- GOAL 8. Participation in a Vacation Church School or Day Camp.

MISSIONARY AND STEWARDSHIP EDUCATION OF CHILDREN

Duplex Offering Envelopes for Boys and Girls

Many American Baptist churches last year introduced the use of duplex envelopes in the primary and junior departments. The boys and girls have been happy to have their own offering envelopes. Church school superintendents as well as members of the boards of Christian education have been delighted with the reception and use of the envelopes!

Boys and girls have been made aware of the importance of the regularity of giving both to their own church school and to the worldwide work of American Baptists. Churches are reporting increased giving to their own Sunday schools and an entirely new phase of giving to missions. It is hoped that every church will introduce the duplex envelopes this fall to boys and girls.



During the last two weeks of September and the first week of October, boys and girls of our churches will be thinking about the special missions offering for Burma. The children's materials consist of a picture-story folder and a unique offering box!

The picture-story folder is a bit different this year. The pictures all appear on one side which makes it possible to use it as a spread; so the title "Friends in Burma" applies to all the pictures that are seen when the folder is opened wide. On the inside there are stories and suggestions to leaders for the use of the picture-story folder and the offering box in the church and the home.

The offering box is unique in that it is patterned after one of the most familiar articles of Burma--the Burmese bag. In Burma boys and girls as well as men and women carry everything in a woven bag that hangs hip length on a woven shoulder strap. The bag is strong, is woven so that it has a design, and is used for carrying groceries, money, gifts, books, or medical supplies. You will see the adaptation when you receive the supply for your church.

The offering is scheduled to be received the first Sunday in October. A church, however, may use the material and receive the offering at some other designated time.

The children's offering will be received in the children's departments. Their offering should then be brought to the church service and be received and dedicated along with the total church offering for Burma.

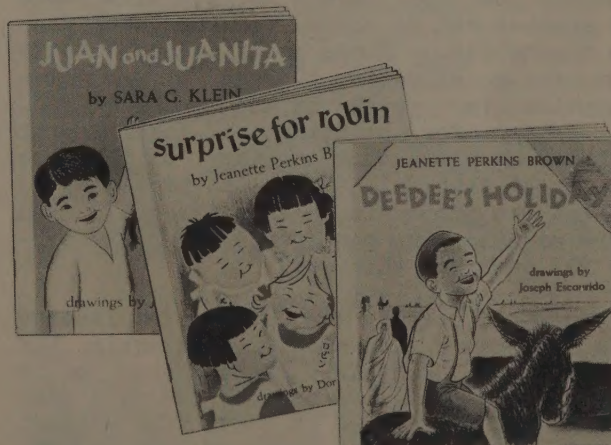
New Kindergarten Books

Two years ago the first kindergarten missionary picture reading books came to be used in our churches: Nezbah's Lamb, Ronnie's Wish, and Keiko's Birthday. Another set of three will be ready by September, 1956:--

Juan and Juanita by S. G. Klein. Juan and Juanita are twins who live in the Philippines. They take a trip.

Surprise for Robin, by J. P. Brown. Robin is a little American girl who lives in Japan. Her friends in the Japanese kindergarten give her some "surprise" presents.

Deedee's Holiday by J. P. Brown. Deedee lives in Egypt. He has a wonderful holiday trip until he gets lost.



The three titles above are boxed in an attractive package for \$2.00 (paper). Single copies are priced at 75¢ each; board, \$1.25. Order from American Baptist bookstores.



Department of Youth Work

Baptist Youth Fellowship

TO ASSOCIATION CHAIRMEN OF YOUTH WORK

The Year of Baptist Achievement has officially ended. We are now embarking upon a new Christian Education year. September marks the revival of a great deal of activity in local churches and many preparations are being made for the work in the year ahead.

Many people have been asking "After YBA, then what?" The Association Chairmen of youth work are primarily responsible for answering this question for the local church chairmen of youth work. This is the real purpose for the Cluster Training Conferences to be held in every state of our convention during the fall months.

If you are an Association Chairman of youth work, you are probably looking forward to the Cluster Training Conference to be held in your area and you have already been informed that you are to lead a conference for the local church chairmen. A sheet of instructions on how to conduct this conference will be placed in your hands shortly. However, it is important that you have clearly in mind what you will want to accomplish with these local church chairmen when you meet them.

You have already studied the booklet *THIS WE CAN DO IN YOUTH WORK - LOCAL CHURCH*. This book was placed in your hands last spring at the last Cluster Training Conference. It contains goals for adult workers with youth and another set of goals for the young people themselves. These goals become an outline for an effective program of Christian education for youth in the local church. The reason for bringing all local church chairmen of youth work together at the beginning of this fall season is to study together the proposals made in the goals and share experiences concerning the best methods for carrying them out.

If you would prepare adequately for leading this conference you should read again *OUR CHURCH PLANS FOR YOUTH*. Take a copy of it with you to the conference. You will also reread *THIS WE CAN DO IN YOUTH WORK - LOCAL CHURCH*. The largest block of time in the conference will be given over to a discussion of how to carry out the goals for adult workers with youth. You will note that each goal lends itself to one of the monthly em-

phases on the standard of achievement. If the adult workers with youth and the youth themselves achieve their goals month by month they will help the local church to become an achieving church in its total program of Christian education.

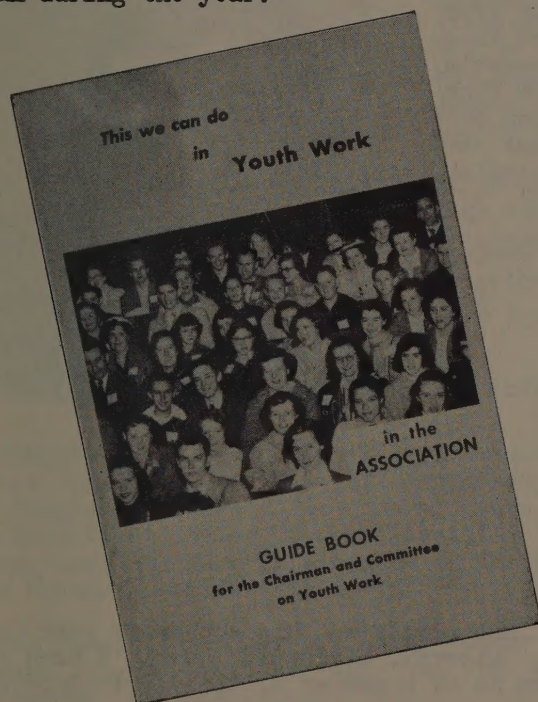
As you consider each goal and discuss the steps involved in carrying it out, you will want to exhibit some materials which are referred to in the suggestion sheet which you will have in hand. When discussing Goal 1 you will want to have in hand the two pieces of the new Judson Record system, included in a packet of materials you will receive prior to the conference. In discussing Goal 2 it would help if you had in hand a Leader's Guide entitled *METHODS OF TEACHING YOUTH*. This is not included in the packet and would need to be ordered in advance from the Department of Administration & Leadership Education in Philadelphia. No specific material is referred to in Goals 3, 4, and 5. In Goal 6 it would be helpful if you had in hand the booklet *YOUTH WEEK IN THE CHURCH* by Lloyd Munger listed on your BYF Supplies order blank. Order from your nearest American Baptist bookstore.

Goal 7 refers to the textbook which was studied by many local church officers and teachers last year. It also refers to another book *YOUTH AND DISCIPLESHIP EVANGELISM* (See BYF Supplies order blank). While Goal 8 does not refer to *THE SECRET PLACE*, it would be well to have a copy of this when discussing spiritual growth. Goal 9 suggests a meeting of all of the parents of a specific age group in the local church. There is no specific material prepared for this, but the idea is suggested to help the parents to see what the church is trying to do for youth.

Goal 10 speaks of the importance of the Report Form. Turn to a copy of the Report Form in the back of the booklet *THIS WE CAN DO IN YOUTH WORK* and explain to the local church chairmen that there will be duplicates of this report coming to them later on in the year. No material is needed for discussion of Goal 11. However, it would be helpful to have in hand *CHURCH SCHOOLROOMS AND EQUIPMENT* when discussing Goal 12. This booklet also may be secured from your nearest American Baptist bookstore.

Be sure to allow about ten minutes to discuss the importance of the Baptist Fellowship of Workers With Youth. Call attention to the Enrollment Form on the back of the leaflet by the same name, which should be distributed to you separately from the packets of material. Call attention to the fact that the periodical WORKERS WITH YOUTH, pictured on the back of THIS WE CAN DO IN YOUTH WORK - LOCAL CHURCH, is the method by which all workers with youth in local churches keep up to date on new trends, new methods, and new materials. Encourage all local church chairmen to enroll in the Fellowship of Workers With Youth and to secure the enrollment of other workers with youth in the local churches.

You will find that this conference will be exceedingly interesting and helpful to all who participate. Make an effort to continue some sort of contact with each local chairman during the year.



GUIDEBOOK FOR THE ASSOCIATION

Just off the press is a new booklet entitled THIS WE CAN DO IN YOUTH WORK - IN THE ASSOCIATION. This book is designed especially for the Association Chairmen of youth work and lists ten specific goals which each association should try to achieve. The booklet, which should also be studied by all members of the Association Committee on youth work, thus becomes a guide to an effective program of Christian education for youth in the association.

1956 VESPER DAY SERVICE

A former BYF Discipleship interne, Rev. Russell E. Brown, who is now pastor of Immanuel Baptist Church in Rangoon, Burma, has written the BYF Vesper Day Service for use on Sunday, December 2, 1956. He has used the current BYF theme, "What Do Ye More Than Others?" The selection of Mr. Brown to prepare this service resulted from the BYF National Council's choice of his church as the special interest mission field for the BYF during 1956-57.

THE HIGH CALL for Fall, 1956, will carry a copy of the service. It also can be purchased in booklet form at 5 cents each from the American Baptist bookstores and is included in the BYF Annual Packet for 1956-57.

BYF NEW TESTAMENT

All American Baptist bookstores are now distributing a BYF edition of the New Testament (Revised Standard Version). By special arrangements with the publishers, these New Testaments include the BYF symbol on the front cover and several pages which outline the purposes of the Baptist Youth Fellowship, the Discipleship Pledge, and a Membership Page. The New Testaments are sturdily bound in blue covers and are printed on India paper. Price, \$2.75. Any BYFer would be proud to own one.

RESPONSIBILITY LEAFLETS

In answer to a very urgent request from the young people themselves, the Baptist Youth Fellowship has developed a set of Responsibility Leaflets. These leaflets outline in step by step detail the responsibilities of BYF officers in local churches. In addition to ones giving a job analysis for each of the ten recommended senior high BYF officers there is one which lists the responsibility of the counselor and another which outlines briefly the responsibilities of junior high officers. These leaflets may be obtained individually for 5 cents each or in a special packet of 12 for 50 cents from your nearest American Baptist bookstore.

NATIONAL ENROLLMENT

The BYF has designed a new certificate of national enrollment for local churches. All BYF groups that enroll nationally each year will be placed on a special mailing list. Also available for the first time are attractive membership cards to be signed by the local BYF president and given to all active BYF members.

THE BYF INTERNES FOR 1956-57

In the next eight months, five BYF Internes will be serving in most of the areas of the American Baptist Convention. These young people have given a year of their life to helping youth groups become more effective in reaching out into the community. They usually serve in local churches for a period of a week.

During the week, they meet with the BYF officers and counselors, helping to plan for better programs and more participation. In most churches, they will conduct a Youth Evangelism program, aimed at bringing new young people into the fellowship, and through the fellowship, into an understanding of the Christian life. Often the interne will speak briefly at the Sunday church school, the morning worship, and other church groups.

For information about when an interne is to be in an area, write to the area Director of Christian Education (list inside of back cover).

DOROTHY ANNE ESTABROOK is twenty-one years old and a native of Malden, Massachusetts. She was graduated this year from the Baptist Missionary Training School in Chicago. She is a member of the First Baptist Church of Melrose, Massachusetts and has served as an officer in the Junior and Senior High BYFs there and as president of her Guild. She has had experience working in camps and conferences. Last summer she served as an assistant to the missionaries among the Indian Americans in Arizona.

Dorothy's field work while at B.M.T.S. has been as a Junior High BYF adviser in Mt. Prospect, Illinois, and as co-director of the freshman field work program for the school. She was president of her class while at B.M.T.S.

Dorothy will be serving churches in the Midwestern states. She will begin her work in Wisconsin.



DAVID ELWOOD McCracken has completed his sophomore year at William Jewell College, Liberty, Missouri. David's home is Shenandoah, Iowa, where he is a member of the First Baptist Church.

During his high school, as well as his college work, David has been active in speech and dramatics. He has had positions of leadership as BYF president at his own local church and as a Southwest Association BYF president in Iowa. He was president of the student Sunday school at William Jewell. David is twenty years old.

David will be serving churches of the Southwestern states during the year.



MARTHA HAVENS was graduated from the Baptist Institute, Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania, this year. Martha is twenty-two years old and a member of the First Baptist Church of Haddonfield, New Jersey.

Martha has given leadership in her own local church BYF from Junior High to Post High and also in the state of New Jersey.

Martha will be working in the Eastern area of the United States, including the states of New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Ohio, and West Virginia.



RALPH KIMBALL SHOWERS has been active in his own local church, First Baptist Church of Phoenix, Arizona, and in the state and national BYF. He served as state president of the BYF in Arizona and as a delegate to the National Council of the BYF. Ralph is twenty years old and has completed his junior year at Arizona State College, Tempe, Arizona, where he has been majoring in education.

Ralph has been active in many dramatic productions in his high school and college careers. He has had wide experience in choral music and in leading singing.

Ralph's work will take him from the states of the Northwest over into the north Central and mid-Central states.

MARGERY J. HILL is a native of Providence, Rhode Island, and is a graduate of Baptist Missionary Training School in Chicago. She worked for several years as a secretary and as a Girl Scout leader before deciding upon a church-related vocation. Margery is a member of the Central Baptist Church of Westerly, Rhode Island.

Last summer, she served as a summer service projector to Keams Canyon, Arizona, and has had experience in camping programs in Rhode Island.

The young people of New England will be meeting Margery. She will be in the states of the Northeast during the year.



In addition to the internes named above, the national BYF President and Secretary are also serving as internes for their term of office. Mr. "Butch" Nielsen, President, will be visiting churches in all parts of the country during the coming year. Miss Gloria Pierce, Secretary, will assist churches in the area of Philadelphia.

For information about the schedules of these officers, write to the BYF office, 1703 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia 3, Pennsylvania.



Department of Adult Work and Family Life

NEXT STEPS FOR THE ASSOCIATION CHAIRMEN OF ADULT WORK

The suggestions given below should be helpful to association chairmen in making preparation, and in conducting cluster conference sessions for local church chairmen of adult work this Fall:

...Obtain a copy of the "Fall Cluster Conference Interpretation" for the Association Chairman of Adult Work from your state (city) Director of Christian Education. (Study this interpretation carefully.)

...Become thoroughly familiar with the contents of "This We Can Do in Adult Work" (Local Church). Goals for 1956-1957.

...Secure from your state (city) Director of Christian Education whatever additional materials are needed to conduct your session with local church chairmen of adult work.

...In conducting the conference be sure to:

Go through "This We Can Do in Adult Work" (Local Church) page by page.

Discuss:

- ...The function of the local Church Chairman of Adult Work.
- ...The composition and function of the Committee on Adult Work.
- ...Goals in Adult Work for 1956-1957.
- ...Ways of Achieving these goals.
- ...Calendarizing these goals.
- ...The Annual Report on Adult Work.

...Share information about state (city) and association goals in adult work.

...Acquaint the local church chairman with basic literature in adult work.

...Familiarize yourself with the following resources:

- OUR CHURCH PLANS FOR ADULT EDUCATION. Idris W. Jones. 75 cents.
- YOUR CHURCH CHAIRMAN AND COMMITTEE ON ADULT WORK. Joseph John Hanson. 10¢.
- YOUR CHURCH AND YOUNG ADULT WORK. J. J. Hanson. 10 cents.
- CHURCH SCHOOL ROOMS AND EQUIPMENT. (Standards and specifications) 35¢.

NEW MATERIALS OF SPECIAL INTEREST TO ADULT LEADERS

The Best Years of Your Life. Marie Beymon Ray. 15 cents. A sixteen page booklet which concisely suggests how to make the most of "those 20 extra years" which many people are experiencing in life. Obtainable from Mental Health Materials Center, Inc., 1790 Broadway, New York City 19, New York.

Senior Citizen. (Monthly magazine) \$5.00 per year, including membership in the Senior Citizens of America. One of the best secular publications for people who are in the second half of life. A good resource for church leaders who work with older adults.

Too Young to Marry? Lester A. Kirkendall. Public Affairs Pamphlet No. 236. 25¢. A timely treatment of problems and adjustments in early marriage.

American Baptist Teaching Materials for Adults. 1 cent each. A mimeographed bibliography of recommended study courses for adult and young adult classes in American Baptist churches.

This We Can Do in Adult Work. (Association) 1956-1957. 10 cents. A guide for the Association Chairman and Committee on Adult Work. An invaluable resource for these persons in developing an effective associational strategy and program.

Young Adult Work in Your Church. Joseph John Hanson. 10 cents. An excellent administrative, organizational and program guide for workers with young adults in the local church.



ASSOCIATION GOALS IN ADULT WORK

The following goals are being proposed for the year 1956-1957. It is possible that some of these goals have already been accomplished by the Committee on Adult Work therefore the remaining ones may be adopted as objectives for the coming year. A comparison of these goals with state (city) goals in adult work will indicate some points of similarity which are intended to provide additional strength and support.

GOAL 1. Constitute your Association Committee on Adult Work. Ask different members to assume a special interest in older adults, young adults, parents and family life, family camping, and, the training of adult teachers. Invite the association president of women's work and laymen's work to serve on this committee.

(In associations with only a few churches all local church chairmen of adult work might be invited to serve as members of the Association Committee on Adult Work.)

GOAL 2. Schedule at least two meetings of your committee. Hold these sessions in September or October, and in January or February.

GOAL 3. Study the Handbook for local church and Association Chairmen of Adult Work. ("This We Can Do in Adult Work"). Decide how these goals might be augmented by your committee.

GOAL 4. Consider the need for association demonstration classes for teachers of adults. Discuss the possibility of scheduling and of providing competent leadership.

GOAL 5. Calendarize the promotion of National Family Week and family camping. Select dates when letters and leaflets will be sent to local church chairmen of adult work. Assign this responsibility to a member of the committee. (Publicity materials should be sent not later than February 15.)

GOAL 6. Make certain that there is a Chairman of Adult Work in every local church. Wherever there are vacancies, contact the pastor or chairman of the Board of Christian education and ask that someone be appointed.

GOAL 7. Send quarterly communications to local church chairmen of adult work including new materials.

Also, direct the attention of local church chairmen to articles of timely interest on adult work and family life. (October... January... April... July...)

GOAL 8. Arrange an exhibit of adult materials at your Annual Association meeting. Write to your area Director of Christian Education or the American Baptist Department of Adult Work for a list of suggested books, pamphlets, and leaflets on adult work.

GOAL 9. Plan at least one major project (or conference) on older adult work, young adult work, or Christian home and family life.

GOAL 10. Submit an annual report on adult work in the churches of your association. Send this report to your State Chairman of Adult Work by May 15.

FAMILY WORSHIP AT CHRISTMAS

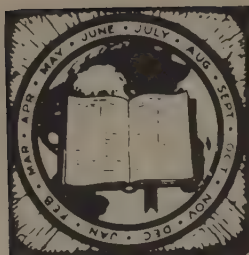
No period of the year is more conducive to family worship than the Christmas season. When life is filled with the joy of sharing and giving, many families seek to express their gratitude to God for the wonderful gift of His Son, Jesus Christ. In the spirit of this occasion Christian families find deep satisfaction in recognizing the presence of Christ through an experience of worship in the home.

A growing number of pastors are encouraging their church families to set aside a certain period on Christmas eve or on Christmas day for simultaneous family worship services, using CHRISTMAS JOY as a guide to worship. Such a practice does much to develop a sense of belonging to the larger fellowship of Christian families.

Copies of CHRISTMAS JOY: A SERVICE FOR YOUR HOME may be obtained from the American Baptist Convention, Department of Adult Work and Family Life, 1703 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, for \$3.00 per 100. This leaflet contains a lovely candle lighting ceremony, including carols, scripture, and poetry. Orders received by December 8 can be mailed in time for pre-Christmas distribution.

Other helpful materials for family use are:

- "Christmas in the Home." McRae. 50¢.
- "The Family Celebrates Christmas." Carl. 50 cents.
- "Make Your Own Merry Christmas." Wertsner. \$2.00.
- "Home Play." National Recreation Association. 75 cents.



Department of Missionary and Stewardship Education

NEXT STEPS FOR THE ASSOCIATION CHAIRMAN

It will be helpful to you to see the September copy of MISSIONS Magazine for Missionary and Stewardship Education activities in a local church during the fall months. The following suggestions will implement further the Association Manual that you will receive at the Fall District Training Conference.

SEPTEMBER. If possible, inquire about plans of each local chairman for the World Fellowship Offering. The presentations take place the last two Sundays of September. The Offering is taken on Sunday, October 7. The materials were sent directly to each pastor.

Each local church Committee on Missionary and Stewardship Education should meet during this month to check on details of the next quarter's plans and to start work on winter projects.

OCTOBER. Some churches will have Schools of Missions beginning in this month. Your help and encouragement will be appreciated. Now is the time for churches planning winter schools (January-February) to start laying plans. See leaflet on Schools of Missions.

MEN AND MISSIONS SUNDAY is October 14. Local church laymen can get help or suggestions for the day by writing to the National Council of American Baptist Men, 152 Madison Avenue, New York 16, New York.

Encourage local church chairmen to attend Cluster Conference where you will conduct the section on Missionary and Stewardship Education. You, of course, will get training at the District Training Conference.

NOVEMBER. The Reading Program is one that needs promotion through each age group and organization. Recommended reading books (see "Friends Through Books") should be made available through the church. Encourage originality in planning and promotion.

This month many churches will have major stewardship emphases. Encourage Schools of Stewardship. Use the leaflet "Stewardship Education in a Baptist Church" for suggestions. A study of the Benevolence Budget of the church with recommendations and interpretation should be stressed.

ANNUAL REPORT ON SCHOOLS OF MISSIONS

Based on Reports of Chairmen of
Missionary and Stewardship Education

Number of Churches Holding
Schools of Missions

<u>Areas</u>	<u>in 1955-56</u>	<u>in 1954-55</u>
Arizona	13	8
N. California	39	39
San Francisco	19	10
S. California	71	47
Colorado	20	23
Connecticut	31	9
Idaho	20	3
Illinois	103	60
Chicago	21	8
Indiana	79	49
Iowa	52	18
Kansas	60	63
Maine	26	6
Massachusetts	78	14
Michigan	57	15
Detroit	17	6
Minnesota	13	4
Montana	14	9
Nebraska	38	16
Nevada	NR *	4
New Hampshire	20	1
New Jersey	34	19
New York	234	46
Buffalo	8	8
Metropolitan New York	5	4
North Dakota	8	2
Ohio	98	53
Cleveland	7	6
Oregon	29	7
Pennsylvania	56	34
Philadelphia	24	5
Pittsburgh	18	5
Rhode Island	25	10
South Dakota	29	13
Utah	4	2
Vermont	3	11
Washington	57	36
West Virginia	85	89
Wisconsin	21	6
Wyoming	16	5
Totals	1552	773

* No report.

THE FREE PROMOTIONAL LEAFLETS

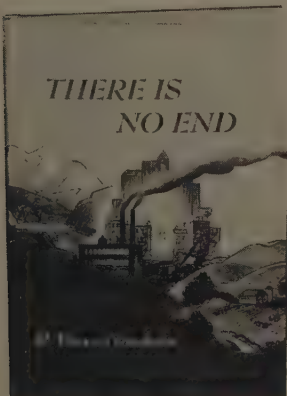
Practically all of the free leaflets published for this year's program are in the hands of either the Association Chairman of Missionary and Stewardship Education or the state, or city, Baptist office. If you have made your best effort to place these in the hands of local officers in every church and still have a balance left over, you might give them to your area director of Christian education for calls that might be made by some local churches for them.

The scheme of distribution made this year is probably the most effective we have ever tried. For this we are all grateful to the Association Chairmen and to the area offices who did a magnificent job. But there are still a few churches which failed to receive their copies and are making calls for materials. We are having to refer them to area (state or city) offices.

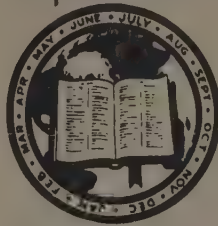
"GOD'S ARITHMETIC"

There is still available a three act play on stewardship by Sara K. Stang. It calls for six characters -- three men and three women. It will help to make clear what "seeking first the Kingdom of God" means in some practical life situations. It sells at 10¢ a copy from the American Baptist bookstores, or from this department at 1703 Chestnut St., Philadelphia 3, Pennsylvania. Order six copies, one for each character.

"Reports this month indicate that missionary education has been greatly stressed this year. . . not only have our churches been holding Schools of Missions but more of them have been interpreting areas of our Baptist World Mission work in their church schools."
--Vernon Legg, Maine.



The Bible



Book of the Month

September Hosea

October Ephesians

November. . I, II, III John

FROM THE MAIL BAG:

"Missions was promoted through the Bible Conference at the Family Camp. In addition missions was promoted through missionary speakers in the Junior High Camp and missionary material and films were used in the Junior Camp. Offerings for missions from camps totalled \$46.24. A number of life commitments for missionary service were made in camps."--Rollin V. Wildin, Nebraska.

"Missionary and stewardship education materials have been supplied to all our churches through the association and local church chairmen of missionary and stewardship education and duplicate sets of materials have been sent to churches through the pastor."
--James Havens, Illinois.

"The materials which have come to our area chairman have been sent to the respective local church chairmen. Interest is being shown in having Schools of Missions again this year in a number of churches. The fact came into evidence in a planning session of the boards of Christian education."--Mrs. F. Wm. Godtfriing, Buffalo, N. Y.

"Mrs. Armour was the first to get her reports in and seemed a bit discouraged when she realized that she had done much better on the women's reports than on the missionary and stewardship education reports from the churches. I take it that this means our women have had more training in the filling out of reports than some of our men. I hope that we shall be able to educate our boards of Christian education to do at least as good a job as the ladies have done in the past."--G. Douglas Manson, Pittsburgh, Pa.

"We placed an order for copies of the missionary reading books to be used in promotion throughout the state; they have been received as they have come from the press. They will be available to conferences and association meetings throughout the summer and fall."--Gordon Forbes, Washington.



Department of Administration and Leadership Education

J-U-D-S-O-N
R-E-C-O-R-D
S-Y-S-T-E-M

It's caused a great deal of excitement. During the Seattle American Baptist Convention there were one to a dozen persons examining its interesting features most all of the time the exhibit room was open. I am speaking of the "brand new" Judson Record System for the Sunday church school. The Ten Steps of the system were outlined on this page in the May issue. But you don't have to just read about it, you can now examine it. Your church can receive free one (one to a church p-l-e-a-s-e) sample Kit including the large manual, "How to Use the Judson Record System." Your pastor and superintendent should have received letters telling them about the Judson Record System and of this free offer. First, check with them but don't miss this opportunity to examine the various materials. You may obtain additional copies of "How to Use the Judson Record System" at 25 cents per copy.

While there are 10 steps in the Judson Record System, you may purchase materials for as many steps as you desire. It would appear however, that the minimum steps a school would want to use would be Steps 5, 6, and 7. These three steps deal with the keeping of the records of attendance, offering, etc. Step 7 provides for the general secretary the

JUDSON SECRETARY'S RECORD BOOK

LOCAL CHURCH DIRECTORS' TRAINING CONFERENCES

Berkeley, Calif. Cincinnati, Ohio
January 15-18, 1957 February 9-14, 1957

Information of Registration and Program
will reach you before long.

STANDARD OF ACHIEVEMENT BEGINS

The "Application Form" for the Standard of Achievement should be filled out (and sent to address on back of form) for the year ending August 31, 1956. On the basis of information found on the form, recognition is given a church for achieving 10, 11 or 12 goals of the standard. Such churches will be presented the beautiful plaque with bronze, silver or gold numerals. If your church participated this year, fill out completely the "Application Form" and send it soon.

The second year of the Standard of Achievement began on September 1, 1956. "On your mark--get set--go!" Be off to a good start this year if you worked on the Standard last year. The Standard of Achievement suggests at least a minimum of what your Sunday church school should be doing. Don't fall below the standard!

OCTOBER IS LEADERSHIP TRAINING MONTH

We know you cannot do all of your training in any one month but American Baptist churches use October to highlight this number one need of the church. We urge you to read pages 12 and 13 of the September issue of "Baptist Leader" which emphasizes the four special first series courses on methods of teaching, namely:

- 141.1Ma, Methods of Teaching in the Sunday Church School
- 211Ma, Methods of Teaching Children
- 311Ma, Methods of Teaching Youth
- 411Ma, Methods of Teaching Adults

All general superintendents and pastors have been sent a letter about the courses, including a handy order blank with specific instructions as to what to order for each course. The new leader's guide for each course is "a must" for instructors.

WORKERS' CONFERENCE PROGRAMS

September 1956--August 1957

For outline of this 12 months' program, and for the September program, see pages 46 and 47 of the August "Baptist Leader."

TO THE ASSOCIATION CHAIRMAN OF LEADERSHIP EDUCATION

The Year of Baptist Achievement is over but sweet memories of hard work that produced results linger with us. We thank you for your part in making YBA work. YBA was just the impetus needed to cause hundreds of churches to teach courses in leadership education. During YBA local church classes increased by three times the number of first series courses taught including the two courses on evangelism and the churches increased considerably the number of second series courses taught as compared with the year previous to YBA.

The YBA closed August 31, 1956. A new year of Christian education began on September 1. On page 15 of the May issue of Judson Journal were pictured the local church handbooks for the new year. Now are available two new association handbooks, "This We Can Do in Christian Education" and "This We Can Do in Leadership Education." You will be interested in the latter as it is designed to serve the Association Chairman of Leadership Education. You will find your task described, the way you work with the Association Committee on Christian Education and goals it is hoped you will be able to carry out during this new year.

First Things First. Leadership education is a big task and trained leaders are needed in every church. However, since you can't do everything at once, it will be important to put first things first. Your association handbook has suggestions. For example, it will emphasize the necessity of getting the churches to prepare early for the teaching of the "four special courses in methods." All pastors and superintendents were sent a letter with order blank in July concerning the "four courses" indicating what text material to order for each course. To be informed on details of the "four courses," please read carefully: 1) Local church handbook, "This We Can Do in Leadership Education," pages 9-10; 2) Association handbook, "This We Can Do in Leadership Education," pages 7-8; 3) September 1956 "Baptist Leader," pages 12-13.

Changes--Changes--Changes. Some people move every year. Others have their term of office expire. Some can't "take it" as we say today. However, the work of the Lord must go on. You as association chairman can help as much as anyone by having each church have a Chairman of Leadership Education. He will be your contact person and help his church develop its program of training. Our big-

gest task today is to have consecrated Christians trained to serve in every place of responsibility in every church.

OUR STAKE IN WEEKDAY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

If we as Baptists accept the fact that there are still many children and youth in America who are not reached for Christ and the church, and if we recognize the great need for more time for religious education, then American Baptists have a stake in the Week-day movement. If we really believe that our children must experience religion as a part of all of life, not just on Sunday, and if we have learned that there are some things we can do better by cooperating with other churches in our community, then we have a stake in Weekday Religious Education.

Sometimes we have been accused of indifference or sometimes we have a twinge of conscience because we are not giving adequate support to this movement. If any of these things are true, it is time to rectify them. Ministers and other Christian education workers in our churches, parents, association committees on Christian education, state and city directors, in fact all of us, must get back of Weekday, work for it, and contribute to its success. What can we do?

1. Become informed as to what Weekday Religious Education is and its values.
2. If we live in a community where there are no Weekday Schools, be instrumental in starting them.
3. Cooperate with other churches in our communities in setting up such schools, in helping finance the program, and in creating a community climate receptive to it.
4. Take an active part in the program, teaching some of the classes or interpreting the program to various community groups, or serving on a Weekday Religious Education Council.
5. Help maintain high standards for Weekday School systems in our communities, providing the best qualified teachers and the highest type curriculum.

Following are helpful pamphlets: "Remember the Weekday," 20¢; "Introducing the Weekday Church School," 15¢; "How to Counsel Groups Interested in Weekday Church Schools," 20¢; "Standards for Weekday Church Schools," 25¢; "Weekday Church School Texts" (Cooperative 1956-57 Series), free.

For further information, contact Miss Miriam A. Peterson, 1703 Chestnut St., Philadelphia 3, Pa., or Department of Weekday Religious Education, National Council of Churches.



Department of Camps and *Summer Conferences*

DAY CAMPING

By Mary E. Venable*

The Master Teacher met people at the point of their needs and interests. The church as it follows him is continually striving to do likewise. The day camp is one of the means whereby the church may take boys and girls where they are and lead them naturally and happily into the next step of their Christian growth. Because of its appeal, the day camp can be the means of introducing many unreached junior and junior high boys and girls to the church, in addition to serving in a vital way those who are already related.

Boys and girls of junior and junior high age are eager to form new friendships. Their interest in others is rapidly increasing. This challenges the church to provide vital experiences in a Christian community.

Day camp offers an opportunity to provide just such experience. Long blocks of time--six or eight hours a day--are spent in small groups with Christian adult friends as leaders and guides. Every camper is helped to feel that he has a large responsibility for the well-being and achievement of the group. He is helped to find Christian interpretation for the experiences of living together with others. Day camp becomes for him a laboratory in Christian living.

Furthermore, junior and junior high boys and girls are eager to make discoveries, to acquire skills and understandings that have value in their own eyes. In day camp, this eagerness can be directed toward a vital awareness of God at work in his world and an increasingly close relationship with God as they see him revealed in his handiwork. There is no more telling way of becoming intimate with God's handiwork in the world of nature than to live for a time in firsthand contact with it, making use of its resources. This is what campers are doing as they explore fields and woods, as they build a fire in the open to cook their noon meal, as they put up a simple shelter to protect themselves from the rain, as they thoughtfully make gifts for others from native materials.

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The understanding, dedicated leader helps campers use their experiences with each other and with the out-of-doors to learn more of God's purposes, and to become more closely identified with them. In these guided experiences the camper grows naturally through the decisions and discoveries that are a part of everyday living to a commitment to Christ and his way of life.

The Place for Day Camping

Extensive woods, interesting terrain such as hills or bluffs, and a stream or other body of water, are desirable. However, a very satisfying program can be developed in a park area. Ingenuity can make surprisingly effective use of limited resources. The minimum essential would seem to be a safe and attractive site with some opportunity for exploration and outdoor living, such as the cooking of simple outdoor meals.

Among places to investigate as possibilities are: farms, resident campsites with large enough areas to accommodate a day camp, city or state parks, rural church property. The site should be within easy reach of the campers' homes. If car or bus transportation is necessary, it probably should not require more than thirty minutes each way. The church will need to plan adequately for transportation to and from camp.

Planning the Day Camp

An increasing number of local churches conduct their own day camps. In many places churches cooperate in planning community day camps. An advantage of the former is that the camping program can be more easily related to the church's year-round program of Christian education. An advantage of the latter is that churches may work together to reach all the boys and girls of a community. By careful planning, both advantages can be realized in either kind of situation.

In any case, the first step in organizing and setting up a day camp should be to make the appropriate group responsible. This may be the church commission on education or it may be a special day camp committee responsible to the commission. This responsible group then takes the following steps:

1. Makes arrangements for a suitable site.

2. Plans for training camp leaders. This may include the use of camp training opportunities already available through denominational and interdenominational sources. Each church or churches working in cooperation will set up a training program for its own leaders. At least a part of this training should be at the campsite. Resource persons in nature lore, camp skills, and Christian education should be brought in.

3. Enlist leaders. The camp director must be one who understands and loves boys and girls of the age group for which the camp is being planned. He should have had some camping experience, be able to work effectively with adults, and have a vital Christian experience to share in daily camp life. He will work with the staff to plan the camp program. He does this in as close cooperation as possible with campers' parents and leaders for other parts of the church's age-group program. Such planning can make the day camp an integral part of the camper's year-round experience in Christian growth.

For each group made up of eight to twelve campers (either junior or junior high), there should be two counselors. At least one of these counselors should already be skilled in working with boys and girls, although he may need to rely on the training to be provided for his camping knowledge. The second counselor for a group may, if necessary, be a leader-in-training, serving something of an apprenticeship under the guidance of the more experienced person.

4. Plans for financing the day camp. A budget should be made to provide resource materials, food other than that to be brought by campers, tools, insurance, transportation, property rental if necessary, leadership training, and any other needs dictated by the particular situation.

A budget for day camping is well within the reach of most churches, although part of it may be covered by registration fees from campers. However, scholarships should be provided so that no boy or girl is excluded because of inability to pay. Since the day camp is an integral part of the church program, an item to care for a considerable part of its expense can well be included in the regular church budget.

Such steps in setting up a day camp must be taken carefully. Planning begins months in advance of the camp's opening, preferably by the end of the preceding summer. It is better for a church to delay the beginning of a camp program than to start without adequate

planning and advance preparation.

The opportunity for significant Christian growth in a well-planned day camp warrants the expenditure of effort, time, and resources. Such opportunities can be provided by almost any church when its leaders are convinced of their value.

Nowhere in its program can the church find better opportunities to meet juniors and junior highs at the point of their interests and needs, for the purpose of leading them on in significant Christian growth. The resources listed below will furnish material for further study.

Administration and Leadership Training

THE CHURCH DAY CAMP FOR JUNIOR AND JUNIOR HIGH BOYS AND GIRLS, by LaDonna Bogardus. 60 cents. National Council of Churches.

PLANNING THE CHURCH DAY CAMP (instructor's guide for Standard Leadership Course by same title) Dept. of Publication and Distribution, NCCC, 120 E. 23rd St., New York. 25 cents.

Program Guidance Materials

(Items 1 - 5 were written for resident camps but include much material equally usable in day camping. Item 6 was written for both day and resident camping.)

1. CAMPING AND CHRISTIAN GROWTH, by Lynn and Campbell Loughmiller. Abingdon Press, \$1.50. Camper's book, "Let's Go Camping," 35 cents. Junior High.

2. LIVING TOGETHER AS CHRISTIANS, by Nelle Morton. Christian Education Press, \$1.60. Camper's book, 35 cents. Junior High.

3. STEWARDS IN GOD'S WORLD, by John and Ruth Ensign. John Knox Press, \$1.25. Camper's book, 35 cents. Junior High.

4. LEARNING TO LIVE WITH OTHERS, by Carrie Lou Goddard. Abingdon Press, \$1.60. Camper's book, 20 cents. Junior.

5. JUNIORS IN GOD'S WORLD, by Louise Davis. Christian Education Press, \$1.50. Camper's book, "Adventures and Discoveries in God's World," 40 cents. Junior.

6. GOD AT WORK IN HIS WORLD, by Mary Venable. Abingdon Press, \$1.75. Camper's book, 35 cents. Junior.

(Where title of camper's book is not given, it is the same as leader's book.)



For Chairmen of Association Committees on Christian Education

CLUSTER CONFERENCES WILL FEATURE FALL PROGRAM

The holding of a Cluster Conference this fall for the churches of every association is one of the goals of our continuing program of Christian education. While having some resemblance to YBA conferences, the fall Cluster will differ in the following ways:

- 1) It should be attended by all churches, and not just by those which participated in the YBA.
- 2) The Chairman and members of the Association Committee will have a larger responsibility. They not only will make arrangements for the Cluster and promote attendance, but they also will conduct the program and furnish all of its leadership.
- 3) The time schedule will be more relaxed, providing greater opportunity for the sharing of ideas.

A THREE-FOLD PURPOSE

What will we try to accomplish in the fall Clusters? What values should they produce? There are at least three main objectives:

First, experience in the YBA has indicated a need for continuing to provide help for local church boards of Christian education. A discussion of how the board of Christian education works, accompanied by a role-playing of a typical board meeting, will help boards to function more effectively.

Second, the fall Cluster will provide program help in the various areas of work. There will be simultaneous conferences for chairmen of children's work, youth work, adult work, missionary and stewardship education, leadership education, and for administrators. In discussing the current program in these fields, there will be ample time for sharing ideas and methods being used in the churches.

Third, fellowship was one of the values emerging from the YBA Cluster Conferences. Persons in different churches doing the same kind of work got to know one another. A sense of comradeship and morale developed that was good! People have been saying, "This is something we should not lose." Let us enlarge the fellowship this year.

THE CLUSTER PROGRAM

- 6:30 Dinner
- 7:15 Worship
- 7:25 Orientation
Purpose of the Cluster
The Board of Christian Education
and its Sub-committees
- 7:40 Six Simultaneous Conferences
1. Administrators (Chairmen of boards of Christian education, Pastors, and Superintendents)
 2. Chairmen of Children's Work
 3. Chairmen of Youth Work
 4. Chairmen of Adult Work
 5. Chairmen of Missionary and Stewardship Education
 6. Chairmen of Leadership Education
- 8:45 Training Session
Role-playing, "Meeting of the Board of Christian Education"
Calendarizing the Program

9:25 Worship and Adjournment

THE ASSOCIATION CHAIRMAN'S ROLE

- 1) You and your committee members will need to determine the place and the date of the Cluster, in cooperation with your area director of Christian education.
- 2) Plans for the dinner will need to be arranged with the entertaining church, including provision for return of reservations.
- 3) Promote attendance at the Cluster, by at least eight persons from each church. The Chairman should contact the church and give basic information. Other committee members should promote attendance of their corresponding counterparts in the church.
- 4) You should preside at the Cluster, and conduct the program, with the assistance of your committee members. Training for you and your committee is provided at the District Training Conferences held earlier.



Audio-Visuals

VISUAL EDUCATION FELLOWSHIP

AUDIO-VISUAL CAMP HELPS

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September

2 Nebraska
12-14 Philadelphia, Pa.
15-28 New England

October

1-10 Green Lake, Wis.
12-20 Twin Falls, Idaho
28 Wilmington, Del.
29-31 Philadelphia, Pa.

November

5-29 Philadelphia, Pa.

December

1-31 Vacation

RODNEY M. BRITTEN

September

18-21 Washington
23-26 Oregon

28 to

October

6 Utah, Mont., Idaho
8-19 Green Lake, Wis.
26 Illinois
28 to

November

2 Pennsylvania
3-6 Winnepesaukee, N. H.
12,13 Philadelphia, Pa.
14,15 Lebanon, N. J.
19,20 New England
21 Philadelphia, Pa.
27-29 Philadelphia, Pa.

December

1-31 Vacation

KENNETH L. COBER

September

16 to

October

7 Pennsylvania
8-13 Green Lake, Wis.
16,17 Iowa
21 Schenectady, N. Y.
22 Philadelphia, Pa.
26 to

November

2 Green Lake, Wis.
12-17 Philadelphia, Pa.
19,20 Columbus, Ohio
21 Philadelphia, Pa.
26 Chicago, Illinois
27-29 Philadelphia, Pa.

KENNETH L. COBER (cont'd)

December

3-29 Vacation

MARGARET L. CRAIN

September

17-26 New York

October

1-12 Green Lake, Wis.

November

5-29 Philadelphia, Pa.

December

1-31 Vacation

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September

17 Chicago, Illinois
18 Indiana
20,21 New York, N. Y.
27,28 Philadelphia, Pa.

October

2-5 Chicago, Illinois
8-15 Green Lake, Wis.
16,17 Indiana
18-20 Illinois
21-30 Indiana

November

1,2 Illinois
12-16 Philadelphia, Pa.
23-25 Pittsburgh, Pa.
27-29 Philadelphia, Pa.

December

1-31 Vacation

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September

15,16 Chicago, Illinois
17,21 Iowa
26-28 Philadelphia, Pa.

October

1,2 New York
3-11 Green Lake, Wis.
12 St. Louis, Mo.
31 to

November

4 Green Lake, Wis.
7,8 Washington, D. C.
23-25 Pittsburgh, Pa.

December

4,5 Chicago, Illinois

JOSEPH JOHN HANSON

September

24 West Virginia
27,28 Philadelphia, Pa.
29 New Jersey

October

1-6 Chicago, Illinois
7-10 Green Lake, Wis.
11,12 Chicago, Illinois
15 Washington, D. C.
19-21 Ohio
22-26 West Virginia

November

3 New Jersey
5 Philadelphia, Pa.
9-11 New Jersey
12-17 Philadelphia, Pa.
27-29 Philadelphia, Pa.

December

1 Vermont
17-29 Vacation

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September

1-3 Arizona
5-8 California
10,11 Nevada
13,14 Philadelphia, Pa.
17,19 New York
20,21 Philadelphia, Pa.
22-28 Atlantic City, N. J.

October

1 Philadelphia, Pa.
2 New York
3-5 Philadelphia, Pa.
8-10 Rochester, N. Y.
11-26 Philadelphia, Pa.
27 Vermont
29,30 Illinois

November

1-3 Green Lake, Wis.
4 South Bend, Ind.
8 New York
9-11 Atlantic City, N. J.
12-16 Philadelphia, Pa.
19,20 Illinois
21-30 Philadelphia, Pa.

KENNETH PETERSON

September

20 New York



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KENNETH PETERSON (cont'd)

September

26-28 New York

October

1-10 Wisconsin

11-14 Minnesota

15-17 South Dakota

31 to

November

1 Green Lake, Wis.

2-4 Rochester, N. Y.

12-15 Philadelphia, Pa.

16,17 Pittsfield, N. H.

22-25 Ohio

27-29 Philadelphia, Pa.

December

6-26 Vacation

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September

27,28 Philadelphia, Pa.

October

10-12 Green Lake, Wis.

30,31 Philadelphia, Pa.

November

12-16 Philadelphia, Pa.

27-29 Philadelphia, Pa.

December

21-30 Vacation

FLORENCE STANSBURY

September

15-21 Ohio

24-29 Atlantic City, N. J.

October

1-16 Green Lake, Wis.

19,20 Buck Hill Falls, Pa.

November

7-9 New York

December

1-31 Vacation

CHARLES R. WOODSON

September

13-18 Vermont

19,20 New Hampshire

28,29 Michigan

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October

1-10 Green Lake, Wis.

12,13 Michigan

November

1,2 Wisconsin

5-30 Philadelphia, Pa.

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